

addition, patients are able to have urgent symptoms treated in the emergency rooms without any problems regarding pre-authorization from the health plan. There has not been a denial of coverage or payment for services even if the final diagnosis is different from the symptoms.

The Maryland law has proven to be cost-effective to patients and to the health plans. Providing a uniform definition of emergency allows persons to be treated for their symptoms even if the final diagnosis determines the medical problem causing the symptoms was not an emergency. This policy is able to prevent much more serious health problems. By not denying coverage and prohibiting persons from receiving treatment in the emergency department, more serious illnesses are prevented or detected sooner. This will allow for medical treatment for existing conditions that prevent the onset of a life threatening illness for which a person may have to be hospitalized. Let me give an example. A person has chest pains but believes he is having a heart attack. The emergency room diagnosis determines that the person is not having a heart attack. However, if the person had not received treatment for the chest pains, he could have later had a heart attack requiring hospital admission. The cost for treatment in the emergency department is less than if the person had to be admitted to the hospital for any length of time. The Access to Emergency Medical Services Act of 1995 saves money for patients and for health plans.

Health plans that deny emergency care coverage are taking a deadly toll on American families. We, as lawmakers, have an obligation to protect our constituents and end this very real problem. I urge my colleagues to support the Access to Emergency Medical Service Act of 1995. •

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 256

At the request of Mr. DOLE, the name of the Senator from Alaska [Mr. STEVENS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 256, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to establish procedures for determining the status of certain missing members of the Armed Forces and certain civilians, and for other purposes.

S. 483

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Michigan [Mr. ABRAHAM] was added as a cosponsor of S. 483, a bill to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright, and for other purposes.

S. 581

At the request of Mr. FAIRCLOTH, the name of the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] was added as a cosponsor of S. 581, a bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act and the Railway Labor Act to repeal those provisions of Fed-

eral law that require employees to pay union dues or fees as a condition of employment, and for other purposes.

S. 852

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 852, a bill to provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal land, and for other purposes.

S. 978

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Arkansas [Mr. BUMPERS] was added as a cosponsor of S. 978, a bill to facilitate contributions to charitable organizations by codifying certain exemptions from the Federal securities laws, to clarify the inapplicability of antitrust laws to charitable gift annuities, and for other purposes.

S. 1037

At the request of Mr. FORD, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma [Mr. INHOFE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1037, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide that the requirement that U.S. Government travel be on U.S. carriers excludes travel on any aircraft that is not owned or leased, and operated, by a U.S. person.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. DOLE, the names of the Senator from Mississippi [Mr. COCHRAN] and the Senator from Arizona [Mr. KYL] were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a family-owned business exclusion from the gross estate subject to estate tax, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 2471

At the request of Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN the names of the Senator from Connecticut [Mr. LIEBERMAN], the Senator from Washington [Mrs. MURRAY], and the Senator from Maryland [Ms. MIKULSKI] were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2471 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2488

At the request of Mr. BREAUX the names of the Senator from Vermont [Mr. JEFFORDS], the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL], the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE], and the Senator from Montana [Mr. BAUCUS] were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2488 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2490

At the request of Mr. BREAUX the name of the Senator from Illinois [Mr. SIMON] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2490 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2511

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM the name of the Senator from Ohio [Mr.

DEWINE] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2511 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2518

At the request of Mr. DEWINE the name of the Senator from Wisconsin [Mr. KOHL] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2518 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2562

At the request of Mr. ASHCROFT the name of the Senator from Texas [Mr. GRAMM] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2562 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2565

At the request of Mr. BRYAN the names of the Senator from Nebraska [Mr. KERREY], and the Senator from South Carolina [Mr. HOLLINGS] were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2565 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2575

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI the names of the Senator from New York [Mr. MOYNIHAN], the Senator from Georgia [Mr. NUNN], the Senator from Louisiana [Mr. BREAUX], and the Senator from Kansas [Mrs. KASSEBAUM] were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2575 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

AMENDMENT NO. 2671

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE the name of the Senator from North Dakota [Mr. DORGAN] was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2671 proposed to H.R. 4, a bill to restore the American family, reduce illegitimacy, control welfare spending, and reduce welfare dependence.

SENATE RESOLUTION 170—TO APPOINT VARIOUS CHAIRMEN FOR THE 104TH CONGRESS

Mr. DOLE submitted the following resolution: which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 170

Resolved, That the following Senators are named Chairmen of the following committees for the 104th Congress, or until their successors are appointed: William Roth, of Delaware, Finance Committee; Ted Stevens, of Alaska, Government Affairs Committee; and John Warner, of Virginia, Rules and Administration Committee.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Small